



## Testing Center Limitations During the COVID-19 Pandemic

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ODA has prided itself on developing a system which enables potential test takers to take online exams and receive immediate exam scores at over 20 proctored locations through-out the state. Since 2016, this has resulted in flexibility for Oregon test takers and for more rapid license issuance. ODA has contracted with Metro Institute and the testing centers to provide excellent customer service.

However, to reduce the potential spread of COVID-19, many of our testing centers (community colleges and universities) have temporarily suspended classes and other services. Therefore, in many cases the proctored test taking centers are not open, and therefore online exams are not offered.

### Current Options Include:

- (1) Travel to any of the remaining Oregon testing centers that are still open.
- (2) Wait until the Oregon test taking center closest to you opens up again.
- (3) Depending on the exam and license, you may consider examining in a state where there is partial reciprocity with Oregon, and where paper exams may possibly be still offered.

Oregon has partial reciprocity with Washington and Idaho. Read the information at the link below, and contact ODA if you have questions.

<https://www.oregon.gov/ODA/programs/Pesticides/Licensing/Pages/ReciprocalLicensing.aspx>

Note - Because of public health related concerns, some states may temporarily cease offering paper exams with little notice. **Check frequently with that state prior to making plans.**

### How to schedule exams in Idaho:

- Idaho State Department of Agriculture is postponing all applicator licensing exams statewide through the end of April.

### How to schedule exams in Washington:

- Call the WSDA toll-free line at (877)301-4555 to schedule exams  
Note: Most locations currently are full for over a month
- To minimize any business disruptions during this serious pandemic, ODA and Metro Institute will stay in frequent contact with the testing centers, and will update our websites when provided with new information.

If you have any questions, contact:

ODA at (503) 986-4635; or email [pestx@oda.state.or.us](mailto:pestx@oda.state.or.us)

Metro at 1-877- 533-2900, or go to <https://www.metrosignup.com/home.asp>

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## **Status of Testing Centers**

We will attempt to keep the list below updated. However, because of public health related concerns, some testing centers may close with little advanced notice. Therefore, please confirm that a testing center will be open, prior to making plans.

### **Testing Centers that are still open (remember to reconfirm):**

Brookings: Southwestern Oregon Community College — Testing existing appointments on April 6 (then will close until June 1)

Eugene: University of Oregon

Hermiston: Blue Mountain Community College — Testing existing appointments through April 9 (then will close until July 1)

Klamath Falls: Klamath Community College

Pendleton: Blue Mountain Community College — Open through April 15 (then will close until June 1)

### **The following testing centers in Oregon are closed:**

Albany: Linn-Benton Community College — Closed indefinitely

Astoria: Clatsop Community College — Closed until April 4

Bend: Central Oregon Community College — Closed until April 29

Burns: Treasure Valley Community College — Closed until May 4

Coos Bay: Southwestern Oregon Community College — Closed until May 4

Gresham: Mount Hood Community College — Closed until May 6

Klamath Falls: Oregon Institute of Technology — Closed until June 1

La Grande: Eastern Oregon University — Closed until May 1

McMinnville: Chemeketa Community College — Closed until May 4

Ontario: Treasure Valley Community College — Closed until June 1

Oregon City: Clackamas Community College — Closed until May 1

Portland/Rock Creek: Portland Community College — Closed until May 4

Roseburg: Umpqua Community College — Closed until May 4

Salem: Chemeketa Community College — Closed until May 4

The Dalles: Columbia Gorge Community College — Closed until May 6

White City: Rogue Community College — Closed until June 29

Wilsonville: Clackamas Community College — Closed until April 29